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With Ferrin Cox

"I am rather inclined to silence, and whether that be wise or not, it is at least more unusual nowadays to find a man who can hold his tongue than to find one who cannot." - Abraham Lincoln

A picture of a three-year-old boy holding a bluegill fish he had just caught won a statewide photo contest recently. It is a darling picture, and we salute the family members who take the time to teach him to enjoy the sport. Seeing that kid with 'his' fish reminded us of an incident when our children were young. Our first-born son was a bit older, but less than ten and he and I were fly fishing on a lake in Florida. Several other boats were also on the lake and they got to FLAGS HONORING THOSE WHO DIED IN THE watching our son and his fly fishing success. They SEPT. 11, 2001 TERRORIST ATTACKS...The flags would pass it down the lake "hey our little buddy just displayed on the courthouse lawn in Elba last weekcaught another one." Then we heard one of the men end represented the 2,977 lives lost in the 9/11 terrorist in a nearby boat say, "When my son learns to fish like attacks. Several of the flags are shown here along with first that. I am going to start bringing him." I wondered responder vehicles during the Patriot Day Ceremony held - and still ponder - how he thought our son learned last Saturday afternoon in Elba. to 'fish like that'! That is like telling a child, "Don't you go near that water until you learn how to swim."

An investigative reporter in Las Vegas was killed and a public official has been charged with his death. Assuming he was killed because of an investigation into activities of the public office holder, it was a very dumb and counterproductive move. Whatever may have been being investigated was surely not as serious a crime as murder. Now the guy faces not only a loss of his job, but many, many years in jail, if not the death penalty. In addition to being a dumb decision, it shows a complete lack of any compassion for another human being.

It is hard to believe that the terrorist attack on U.S. facilities and people, referred to as "9/11", happened twenty-one years ago. Even being that long ago, it is still fresh on our minds and those who lost loved ones continue to have our prayers. Most of us can recall exactly where we were upon first hearing the news of those attacks and our fixation on the TV screen as mischief reported at 1021 the tragic events unfolded.

We continue to field complaints about the City of Elba's recent purchase of a piece of vacant property. Most of our visitors are puzzled over how the city can spend thousands on real estate "as a good investment" but can't make road repairs, etc. That is an issue that will not go away. The property is purchased (for cash), those road repairs are still pending. City officials are delaying much of that road work because contractor bids for doing the work are "too high", yet projected repair costs continue to rise as the road damage gets worse.

The City of Elba is shutting down the recycling stop resulted in a citation reported at 744 County restaurant, the bottom fell for the second place Sister program, at least temporarily. The contract company announced some time back they were giving up the contract this month. City officials are shutting down Domestic complaint report- accident reported at Hwy and by the time the gang own hands and drove to an the service until they can figure out the best way ed on Beaver Dam St (8:52 84 and Hwy 141 (12:43 finished eating, the rain had option she felt might not be to continue, how (and where) to market the recycle p.m.). Ten traffic stops p.m.); Harassment reported moved on from the area. as busy because it was a bit

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E-4 (7:27 a.m.); Criminal (2:53 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 1578 Powell complaint reported at 5423 a citation issued. County Rd 410 (5:30 p.m.); being issued

three verbal warnings.



Reminder:

Effective October 1, 2022, Elba Water and Electric delinquent fees will increase from thirty dollars (\$30) to fifty (\$50.) The afterhours fee will increase from fifty dollars (\$50) to seventy-five dollars (\$75.)

Elba Police Report

Sept. 6, 2022, and Monday, the following activity:

Elm Ave (9:43 a.m.); Trespassing reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (10:47 a.m.);

Wednesday, Sept. 7 - made (3:14 a.m.); Traffic while staying inside and dry, Lou took matters into her resulted in two citations, at 603 Kendrick St (6:32 Of course, Sister always off the heavy traffic route. five written warnings, and p.m.). Three traffic stops gripes about the location she was correct!

Trespassing reported at 349 Brunson Circle (1:04 stances reported at 120 Old Samson Rd (8:29 a.m.); Death investigation report- (10:04 a.m.); Suspicious favorite part!

vehicle reported on Hwy arrest.

Verbal altercation report- ed at 626 Mullins Circle reached the area about the us!" Lou Lou insisted. ed at 100 Beaver Dam St (2:39 a.m.); Burglary same time as they did. reported at 911 Farris Ave Trying to avoid listen- over well with Sister. (7:08 a.m.); Drug activity ing to Sister complain the St (11:59 a.m.); Suspicious soaked and miserable, insisted. "I just checked!" Animal complaint reported area of 1303 Reese Ave by going to grab a bite from Sister. at 5423 County Rd 410 (6:25 p.m.); Suspicious of supper before parking person reported at 331 on campus and walking forth banter over Sister's Putnam St (11:52 p.m.). to the stadium instead of feet...smelly or not, she also Circle (4:27 p.m.); Animal One traffic stop resulted in grabbing a burger at the let Lou Lou know she need-

Suspicious circumstances Suspicious person report- agreed!

Friday, Sept. 9 - reported at 1415 Jones a walk. Ave (7:13 p.m.); Suspicious written warnings, and one off and sighed in relief.



One never knows what when the Yonder gang was Sister! out and about on a little A few seconds later, a adventure.

lege football game for Cuzin Lou and Papa up front. Lou Lou's collegiate alma The Elba Police Depart- 84 (10:58 p.m.). Six traffic mater, and they enjoyed Lou Lou asked. ment, between Tuesday, stops resulted in two ver- seeing the 'good guys' get bal warnings, three written the win on the night. The feet," Sister said. Sept. 12, 2022, conducted warnings, and one citation. gang, however, was a tad Tuesday, Sept. 6 - Domestic complaint report- a big 'ole rain shower that smelly foot away from

game. It turned out to be a ed an after-game snack.

(7:22 p.m.). One traffic a.m.); Domestic complaint and Papa made it inside the was enormous. Same story Rd 401 - an arrest was out! They enjoyed the meal picked. At this point, Lou

resulted in one citation, Lou Lou parks on campus Lou Lou and Papa elected Thursday, Sept. 8 - and two verbal warnings. for game day! It's quite a for a pie and coffee for their Monday, Sept. 12 - trek across campus to the snack while Sister went Vehicle fire reported on stadium, but it easy access with something entirely difa.m.); Suspicious circum- Hwy 84 (9:48 a.m.); Animal before and after the game, ferent. Since Lou Lou was complaint reported at 1311 and there is no parking fee driving, she asked Sister to Reese Ave - w/ impound to pay - that's Lou Lou's put the creamer in her cof-

ed at 1133 Oak Ave (9:26 circumstances reported at Knowing it is a trek, kind enough to help; howa.m.); Domestic complaint 11 County Rd 342 (11:05 Sister actually wears ten- ever, it was not as easy a reported at 689 Hwy 141 a.m.); Identity theft report- nis shoes to these games... task as Lou Lou had thought (1:13 p.m.). Ten traffic ed at 863 Reese Ave (11:28 much to her dismay. She it should be for Sister. stops resulted in seven ver- a.m.); Harassment reported would much be wearing her Suddenly, there was spitbal warnings, two written at Annie's Kitchen (2:44 flip flops or sandals, but ting and spurting from the warnings, and one arrest. p.m.); Domestic complaint she knows better for such backseat!

Suspicious vehicle report- St (6:23 p.m.); Traffic There wasn't much men- pened but in opening one ed at 2551 Taylor Mill Rd accident reported at 100 tion of the wearing of the of the creamer cups, Sister (12:15 a.m.); Grass fire Beaver Dam St D2 (6:25 tennis shoes before and managed to slosh it enough reported at 301 Larkin Rd p.m.); Suspicious circum- during the game, but Sister to get a taste of the cream-- was a controlled burn stances reported at 218 N let it be known afterwards er. Apparently, she did not (10:14 a.m.); Lost/found Factory Ave (8:20 p.m.); that she was tired of them! enjoy the taste of only property reported at 1033 Suspicious circumstances As soon as the gang made creamer! Morrow Ave (6:28 p.m.); reported at 1131 Guyton it back to Lou Lou's vehicle "Was it bad?" a laughing

loud sigh from Sister.

"I needed to get those milk' tastes! shoes off!" was Sister's Lou Lou just shook her response. "My feet felt head. Only Sister. trapped in them! They need Until next time...God to be free!"

That was the most ridic-Sister is going to say or do, ulous thing Lou Lou had and that was certainly the heard all day! But, it did not case last Saturday evening surprise her coming from

socked foot appeared on The gang attended a col- the arm rest between Lou

"What are you doing?"

"I need to stretch my

"Well...you have a whole Saturday, Sept. 10 - late to the game because back seat to do that! Get

Uh-oh...that did not go

"I will have you know my reported on Beaver Dam entire night about being feet do not stink," Sister

person reported at 955 Lou Lou made the execu- Papa had been quiet up Trespassing reported at 154 Hwy 203 (2:24 p.m.); tive decision for the gang until this point, but he had Yelverton Ave (12:14 p.m.); Report of shots fired in to 'wait out' the storm to laugh at that response

In between the back-and-

Sunday, Sept. 11 - very good idea, even Sister Lou Lou headed for Sister's first choice, but reported to Elba Police ed on Putnam St (12:02 Just as the Lou Lou, Sister, the line at the drive-thru

fee for her, and Sister was

Suspicious circumstances St (11:37 p.m.). Four traf- after leaving the stadium, Lou Lou asked after Sister reported at 154 Yelverton fic stops resulted in three Sister kicked those shoes explained her dramatics from the backseat.

"What in the world is Sister didn't stop with wrong with you?!?!?!" Lou just saying it was horrible... Lou asked after the very no, instead, she said it tasted like she expected 'baby

Bless and Keep Smiling!



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ROBERT JACK VEAL JR.

Mr. Robert Jack Veal Jr., age 82, of Ozark, Ala., 2022, at Oakview Manor in 10 a.m., with Rev. Derek Anne Rodriguez, Elba. Snellgrove officiating and Hayes Funeral Home of JUDY C. OWENS Elba directing.

Tenn.

JOHNNY FOLEY

Mr. Johnny Foley, age 74, of the Curtis Community, died Saturday, Sept.



Ala. Funeral services

were held Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2022, at 2 p.m., at Wyatt Funeral followed in the Foley Fam- Hayes Funeral Home. ily Cemetery at Danleys Crossroads.

Mr. Foley was preceded James Eldridge. in death by his parents, Sara McCart Foley and

ents, Jessie and A. A. Foley. (Wade) Ellis, Elba, Villa Survivors include his wife: Mary Bowden Foley; ka, Ala., and Renea (Tim) daughters: Miranda Foley Sumerlin, Northport, and Olivia Foley Morrow Ala.; grandsons: Jonathon (husband Scott); sons: Bry- Ellis, Elba, Joseph Suman Albert Foley, Shannon merlin, Nashville, Tenn., Watson, and Jason Watson and Jacob Summerlin, (wife, Pilar); grandchil- of Dayton, Tenn.; granddren: Kiranda and Chase daughters: Kim (James) Foley, Aubrey and Johnny Fuller, Wilsonville, Ala., Cru Morrow, Cole Foley, and Kayla Danford, Miranda Marler (husband, Wetumpka; along with Steven), and Victoria Wat- six great-grandchildren. son; great-grandchildren: Denver Rose Ross and LOIS JOHNSON Addy Marler; along with

JOSEPH RALPH



Sept. 10, 2022, from the great depression. She grew Chapel of Hayes Funeral up walking to her child-Home in Elba with Min. hood church, Shiloh Baptist Jr. and Michael Neal of Ben Jordahl (Je'Ne), Port Steve Reneau officiat- Church in Tarentum, Ala., ing. Burial services fol- where she later became a lowed in the Evergreen member and Deaconess. Cemetery with Hayes Fu- She also was a member of neral Home directing. Me- the Order of the Eastern morial contributions may Star Chapter 103 where she be made to the Elba United was treasurer. At the age of

36323. Joe was preceded in daughter: Virginia Johnson death by his father - Ralph Tyson, Enterprise; son: Andrew Lassiter, mother Earlie Johnson Jr., Laurel - Mattie Johnson Lassiter, Hill, Fla.; one sister: Lola sisters - Clara Kahler, Dor- Copeland, Louisville, Ky.; othy Clayton, Grace Cana- and a host of other relatives day, and Matilda Whitlock, and friends. and brother - Norman Las-

wife: Laura Lassiter, Elba; Enterprise, Ala., died daughters: Anne (Joel) Wednesday, Aug. 31, 2022, Cline, Elba, Beverly Lassit- at her home. er (Jane Detweiler), Reno, Nev., and Mary Beth Las- held Saturday, Sept. 10, siter, Atlanta, Ga.; brother: 2022, at Pleasant Shade Roy (Margie) Lassiter, Missionary Baptist Church Merritt, N.C.; sister-in-law: with Coleman Funeral Elaine Reid, Los Angeles, Home of Enterprise Calif.; granddaughters: directing. Erin (Andrew) Smith, Wat-

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kinsville, Ga., and Grace 1965 to Luther Mahoney Lula Haynes (Michael), grandsons: Mark (Lizzie) Wells, Elberton, Ga., and died Sunday, Sept. 11, Joseph Cline, Elba; greatgrandsons: Matt Smith, Ty-Ozark. Graveside services ler Smith, Connor Smith, served as an aircraft elecwere held from Evergreen and Peyton Smith, all of Cemetery, Elba, Ala., on Watkinsville; and great- her husband of 31 years, friends; Pamela Williams, Wednesday, Sept. 14, at granddaughter: Oakleigh- James A. Hodge Jr., and Mavis Lewis, and Brenda



Home in Opp, Ala. Burial etery under the direction of Williams, Washington, where she worked for death by her first husband,

husband: Troy Owens, nieces, nephews, cousins home to Elba. Fred Foley; and grandpar- Elba; daughters: Kaye and friends. (Ronny) Danford, Wetump-

died Tuesday, September 6, 2022.

Funeral services were Mr. Joseph Ralph Lassit- 2022, at Macedonia Baptist and Willie Fred Bell. er, age 87, of Elba, Ala, died Church, Lockhart, Ala., Wednesday, with Coleman Funeral Sept. 7, Home of Enterprise direct-

2022, at his ing. Saturday, Brundidge, Ala., during the Methodist Church, 503 Da- 20 in 1945, she married the vis Street, Elba Alabama late Earlie Johnson Sr.

Survivors include her

MARY HODGE

Survivors include his Mrs. Mary Hodge, of

Funeral services were

Mary was born May 20,

(Jacob) Rodriguez, Elba; (deceased) and Mary Lee Enterprise; three brothers: Williams. Shortly after Lemoses Bell, Anthony graduating high school, Evans, and Gordon Evans; she enlisted in the United two nephews: Michael States Army where she Haynes and James Haynes, trician. In 1991 she married Michael Robbins; special raised two daughters.

In 2002 Mary graduated from Saint Leo University Mrs. Judy C. Owens, with a Bachelor's degree Survivors include his age 77, a resident of Elba, in business and minor in son: Bob Veal, Sevierville, Ala., died Saturday, Sept. accounting; Magnum Cum Ms. Patricia Ann Watford,

In 2007 the Hodge famter's home ily settled in Enterprise where Mary worked as a Funeral records specialist for 12

Survivors include Tuesday, her husband: James A. Sept. 13, 2022, from the Hodge Jr., Enterprise; Chapel of Hayes Funeral two daughters: Aliesha Memorial Hospital in Opp, Home in Elba with Rev. McErvin (Vonte'), and Ala. Dustin Wisecarver and Jameila Hodge; one grand- Nana Pat, as she was lov- Ala., died Sunday, Sept. 11, Rev. Donnie Earles offi- son: Tristopher James ingly referred, was born 2022, at her son's home in ciating. Burial followed Sherwood (T.J), and one in 1941 in Columbus, Letohatchee, Ala. in the Haw Hill Assem- on the way of Enterprise; Ga. She eventually setbly of God Church Cem- her mother: Mary Lee tled in Birmingham, Ala., She was preceded in Ferrell, Washington, and retiring and moving to Elba Cynthia Patoine (Michael, in 1992. In 2014, she relo-Survivors include her with a host of uncles, aunts, had recently moved back

Enterprise, Ala., died Chapel in Elba at 2 p.m. the Bethlehem Primitive Sunday, September 4,

Funeral services were held Friday, Sept. 9, 2022, at Johns Chapel AME Enterprise with Coleman James and Edna (Boyett) Funeral Home of Enterprise Watford; sister: Kathey along with her parents -

February 28, 1971. She was the executive director Survivors include her Huntsville, Ala.; sons: Glen

Enterprise; husband:

both of Enterprise, Godson: Crawford; and a host of Kayleigh Poole, Andalusia, other family and friends.

PATRICIA ANN WATFORD

age 81, beloved sister and aunt and a resident of Elba, Ala., died Oakleigh-Anne Kathey



Mizell HENDERSON

Ga.; two sisters: Jeannie AT&T for over 20 years, Winterville, Ga.; along cated to Rome, Ga., but she

Memorial services will be held Saturday, Oct. 15. 2022, from the Chapel Mrs. Ruby Neal, of at Hayes Funeral Home Visitation will be at the Baptist Church Cemetery it fell through. funeral home prior to the service, from 1-2 p.m.

Ms. Watford was preceded in death by her parents: Watford Giles; and neph-Mrs. Neal was born on ews: David Church and Brad Pence.

at Serenity South Senior sister: Sherry Church (Deborah) Henderson, Ms. Lois Johnson, age Living in Elba, where she Johnson, Ponce Inlet, Fla.; all of Johnny's Cowen fam- 88, of Enterprise, Ala., was employed for 13 years. brother: Jerry Watford Henderson, Elba; sister: She was preceded in death (Midge), Rome, Ga.; brothby her father - Dice Evans, er-in-law: Barry Giles, grandchildren, and five brother - Christopher Bell, Elba; nieces and nephews: great-grandchildren. held Sunday, Sept. 11, and grandparents - Scennie Tami Watford Lob, Rome, Douglas Watford; Atlanta, Survivors include her Ga., Vickie Church Smith mother: Annie Pearl Bell, (Cliff), Ponce Inlet, Lisa Church Pence, and Patricia David Neal; three daugh- Church Worthington Lois was born December ters: Delores Williams (Tony), both of Rantoul, Funeral 2, 1923 to the late John (Brandon), Fayetteville, Ill., Amy Giles, Warren services Fluornoy and the late Lena NC, Courtney Williams, Giles, and Kara Poole were held Downing Fluornoy, of Montgomery, Ala., and (Chris), all of Elba; her Deanna Gibson (Douglas), great- nieces and neph-Blackshear, Ga.; step- ews: Eric Trotter, and Aron children: David Neal Trotter, both of Rome,

New Orleans, La.; five Orange, Fla., Brandon grandchildren: Alexander, Pence (Anna), Champaign, London, Jailyn, Kacelyn, Ill., Cole Pence (Katie), and Elliott; one sister: Warrenville, Ill., Marissa 897-3010

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Losing someone to suicide may be one of the most heartbreaking and lifficult forms of grief. Oftentimes, after such a loss, people are left with painful questions and burdensome memories. Here are a few ways to help support someone after a recent loss due to suicide.

As suicide rates climb, supporting those near to you is vital. Supporting those you know and love can be as simple as a phone call or a quick text nessage to check in on them. Dropping by to make sure that they are well and taking care of themselves can be an important way to support someone after a recent traumatic loss.

Encourage your friend or family member to enter counseling for their loss. Professional help is one of the best ways to help work through such grief and finding practical and professional mental health support car be the difference between moving through grief with grace or sinking deeper into despair. If needed, volunteer to go with them to a grie counseling seminar or a group therapy session: your support likely will nake it easier to get help.

Offer to help your friend or loved one clean up the space left behind by the person they lost. Cleaning up a room can be painful for anyone but it can be especially painful after a difficult loss. Encourage them to keep some clothing and photos from a better time: that may ease some of the pain of loss. Encourage them to donate any other clothing pieces that could maybe help someone else in need. Make a photo collage out of any photos that may be left behind and frame other treasured items the deceased kept. These mementos can help provide a place to remember the person at their best rather than focusing on the troubled times.

After a loss to suicide, it may seem daunting to try and help a close riend or family member but supporting those who have lost someone o suicide is a vital part of the grief process. If someone you know is in crisis, there are resources provided below.

Suicide Hotline: 1-800-273-8255 https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/help-yourself/loss-survivors/

https://afsp.org/find-support/ive-lost-someone/ If you would like a free funeral decisions guide, please hayesfh@hayesfuneralhome.net

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PAGE 3 Elba mayor clarifies use of funds for land purchase

Pence, Rantoul, Marrison

Worthington Biel (Joseph). Dariene, Ill., Ryne

Worthington (Christina),

Champaign, Ill., Joshua

Giles, Enterprise, Ala.,

Jacob Rodriguez (Grace),

Liza Rodriguez, Keaton

Poole, Stella Edgar, and

Ala., Aria Giles, Luverne,

Ala.; and her great

great -nieces and neph-

ews: Finley Jordahl and

Hudson Jordahl, both of

Port Orange, Brauywn

Biel, Dariene, Kaliyah

Crittenden, Andalusia, Ava

Pence, Warrenville, and

Mrs. Vara Lue Henderson,

age 95, a resident of Elba.

Funeral Home in Elba with

her grandson MJR Josh

Henderson and grandson-

in-law Greg Ward offici-

ating. Burial followed in

Ola and Obie Reeves.

Survivors include her

daughter: Jeanette Muth,

Letohatchee, and Randell

June Kelley, Elba; four

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were held

Tuesday,

Sept. 13,

2022, from

the Chapel

of Hayes

Jace Poole, all of Elba,

During the Elba City Council meeting Monday night, Mayor Tom Maddox said he wanted to clarify some misunderstandings regarding the use of monies to purchase the property in which the city had hoped would be the future site of the South Central Alabama Mental Health facility.

"Anyone who read in the paper the article, which was accurate, there may have been some misunderstanding for the use of monies," Maddox said.

He said the June 13th meeting minutes show where the council gave the mayor authority to negotiate purchase of lots for a potential economic development

"That is what we did, and we felt like it was a good move." Maddox said. I had talked with Daniel Stephens with the Industrial Development Board and Bart Boothe [city attorney] and based on Alabama Code 11-54-93 funds in the Industrial Development Board should be reverted back to the city if not used for a specific project."

He said those funds were no longer being used for the project in which had originally been intended because

"Probably the best thing with Hayes Funeral Home that could have been done was to put those funds back Mrs. Henderson was prein the [city's] general fund ceded in death by her husprior to when we did," band - Buron J. Henderson, Maddox said.

Council member Jane Brunson asked if all the funds were transferred back or just enough to purchase the land, and Maddox said just the amount that was used for the land purchase.

"So, technically, they need to return the rest of the money to us," Brunson said. Later in the meeting, the

mayor recognized local businessman Ted Vignola who had asked to speak on the matter. "I want to know why you

bought the property and didn't get an option on it when you didn't have a contract with the mental health facility?" he asked.

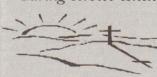
He said the property had

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CHURCH NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

by Dwight Johnson, Pastor Elba First Assembly of God Church

Our family in Africa lives very near the Atlantic Ocean. In fact, the coastline is only a few minutes' drive from their home. Proximity to the ocean provides a real boost to the local economy. Tourism and fishing are two of the engines that keep the area running.

While visiting, Wanda and I enjoyed watching local fishermen and their colorful boats. Men and boys were enjoying the surf as they pulled their boats out or brought them with guest speaker Dr. 606 Simmons Street, Elba. in. But, so some, the vast body of water has an entirely different meaning, and produces other emotions.

In the book of Revelation, we find John the Apostle on the Island of Patmos, to where he had been banished for his testimony of Jesus. Patmos is a small, rocky island in the Aegean Sea, several miles from the coast of Turkey. Homecoming will be Sunday, Oct. 2nd To John, this body of water may have meant separation. Because of it, he was separated from those he loved.

Honestly, I understand. When Wanda and I vacationed in Maine last year, I stood on the Atlantic coast, faced southeastward, and thought, "My baby girl is somewhere over there - way over there."

By the end of John's vision, he had a promise; a hope. In Revelation 21:1 he shares, "Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the old heaven and the old earth had disappeared. And the sea was also gone." No more separation. No more longing. No more pain.

One day there will be a blessed reunion for all who know and follow the Lord. I am looking forward to that day. Together forever with loved ones and with Jesus!



ELBA ROTARY CLUB MEETING GUESTS...Jake and Hannah Pendleton were guests of Mayor Tom Maddox (left) at the Elba Rotary Club meeting Tuesday, Aug. 16. The Pendletons shared with Elba Rotarians about their backgrounds, their real estate business, and their work renovating the two-story office building located at the corner of Court and Putnam streets in downtown Elba.

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Westside Baptist and First **Baptist to host Community** Revival, Sept. 18-21, in Elba

The 2022 Community be at First Baptist Church First Baptist Church and the guest. Westside Baptist Church, All services begin at 6

will be next week in Elba. p.m. each night. Sept. 18, and Monday, is located at 1026 Caroline Sept. 19, will be held at Street, Elba, while First Westside Baptist Church Baptist Church is located at

Michael Mynatt. Services For more information, O. Kelley, Vincent Smith, for Tuesday, Sept. 20, and call (334) 897-2520 or Wednesday, Sept. 21, will (334) 897-2246.

Pleasant Ridge Primitive Baptist Church

Pleasant Ridge Primitive will begin at 11. Bro. Baptist Church, located at Will Jordan, Pastor of Mt.

The Old Southern These are the first ser-Gospel Group will pro- vices since the pandemic, vide music beginning and everyone is invited to

at 10 a.m., and services attend!

3698 County Road 228, Zion Baptist Church will Elba, Ala.a, will hold provide the message, fol-Homecoming on Sunday, lowed by dinner on the grounds.

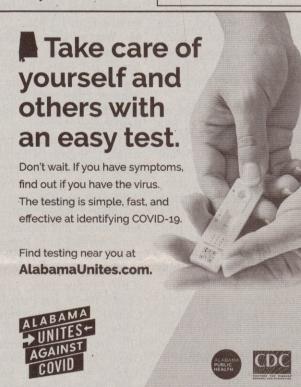
Elba Ministerial Alliance meeting set for Thursday, Oct. 6, at noon

at The Rabbit Hole, located invited to attend! at 214 Factory Street, Elba.

The group of local ministers meets every first Thursday of the month at

The Elba Ministerial noon at local restaurants. Alliance will meet All churches and faith-Thursday, Oct. 6, at 12 noon based organizations are

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Round and About With Eria's Daughter 897-3611

[Psalm 47: 1-9]

Services for Sunday, Westside Baptist Church Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Isaiah Franklin Jr., Robyn Patterson, Betty Moore, -C.R.B. Beatrice Belcher, Marcus Sharron Fitch, All COVID-19 Pandemic Patients, Tommie Mae Faison Davis

September Birthdays / Anniversaries Richard Kyles 9/6

Iverson Kelley 9/7 Carter Cross 9/8 Edwina H. Williams 9/9 Melonie Lands 9/9 Brandy Caldwell 9/10 Rev. Arthur Gilford 9/10 Jahari Tyhiem Jones 9/10 Novella Robinson 9/11 Grover and Eria L. Belcher 9/12 W.A. in memory A'miya Alexis Hutchinson

Min. Cedric Williams 9/12

** What Goes Around **Comes Around?**

Most of us have heard others use the word 'karma'. By this they typically mean that someone who has done wrong is now being repaid by a negative circumstance. The popular Karmic sentiment "what goes around" comes around" is appealing at first glance since it seems to say the same thing as the Bibles regarding reaping what one sows [Proverbs 11:18; 22:8, etc]

However, karma is a pagan concept. The notion that karma determines one's future [reincarnated] lives should cause us to recognize the idea as unbiblical. Another red flag is that karma is a rigid, unyielding cause-and-effect system. Paul, as a Christian of Jewish background, knew that God had forgiven his sins, with no future punishment in store.

Even so, Paul came to experience the kind of persecution he had inflicted on

Revival, sponsored by Elba of Elba with Nick Akin as Scripture: Praise to God others [Acts 8: 1-3; 9:1,2: the Ruler of the Earth Galatians 1:13; Philippians 3:6]. It could make him even more grateful that the Lord had forgiven him and saved him from such a sinful life. What about you?

> **Question / Answer Section** O/A for the Week of 9-15-

> True or False Q: The man healed at Lystra had never walked.

A: True [Acts 14:8] Q: James uses both fire and poison to describe the

A: True [James 3: 6,8] Q: King Darius commanded the furnace be heated hotter than usual. A: True [Daniel 3:19]

Questions for the Week of

9-22-2022 Multiple Choice, Use Your

Concordance

Q: In James, which of Abraham's actions illustrate that faith without works is dead? (left home. circumcised, offered Isaac) Q: What other example of faith and works does James use? (Joshua, Rahab, Ruth)

Today is a good day! Be grateful. Eria's Daughter, Sue



Anyone age 60 or over needing a meal, or for questions about the Elba Senior Center or SARCOA, call the center at (334) 897-3019.

Church Directory

Sunday Fellowship . 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship . 10:00 a.m. Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal . . . 5:30 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer . . 6:15 EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Timothy Williams, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed Prayer Service 7:00 p.m DORCAS BAPTIST

Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training 5:00 Even. Worship 6:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Meet . . 7:00 p.m.

EANON BAPTIST Mark Ward, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST Phillip Box, Minister
Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD David Noble, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m Even. Worship. . . . 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY H.L. Buckner, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Night 6:00 p.m. Thur. Night 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE Allen Richards, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m. ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD Dwight Johnson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Kit Johnson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Steve Reneau, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Services . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST Lovell Martin, Pastor Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Glenwood, AL

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.

KINSTON Danny Bradshaw, Pastor

Edward E. Drake, Pastor GODS POWER HOUSE

GRACE FELLOWSHIP

GREATER NEW ZION **BAPTIST CHURCH**

W. K. Ellison, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Wed. Service 6:30 p.m.

OF GOD

Sunday Prayer 9:30 a.m. Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Worship Service . . . 11:00 a.m.

Wesley D. Ard, Pastor Wed Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Phillip Adcock, Pastor
Sunday Morning . . 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD -Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST Scott Donaldson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

EVANGELISTIC CHURCH Overseers - Billy Berry
Sat. Service 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Service 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 4:00 p.m.

John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m. Jeremie Turner, Sr. Pastor

Wed. Bible Study. . 6:00 p.m. HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC

Wed. Service 6:00 p.m. Rev. Steve Reneau, Pastor Morn. Worship 8:45 a.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY Shirlie Ellis, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet . .7:00 p.m. HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH Mark Cooper, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH Garry Winstead, Pastor Sunday School . . . 8:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD Matthew Morris, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Wed Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor Morn. Worship 10:00 a.m Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Even. Service 5:00 p.m. LIVING WORD CHURCH Derrick Stinson, Pastor Saturday Service . . . 9:45 a.m. Sunday Service . . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m

Thurs. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. LIBERTY CHURCH OF Greg Hanchey, Minister Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH Charles Jones, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m. MT. CALVARY BAPTIST

CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sundays MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH Dewey Emfinger, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service 5:00 p.m. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Olan Strickland, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. MT. ZION BAPTIST Will Jordan, Pastor

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Cathedral of the Holy Spirit NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. Linda Williams, Pastor Wed. Even. 7:30 p.m.

NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTERPRISE W. K. Ellison, Pastor Morning Worship . . 9:00 a.m. Evening Worship . . 6:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening . . . 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening 7:00 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Disciple Train . . . 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.

Wed. Bible Study . . 6:30 p.m. NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Terry Godwin, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Bible Study 5:00 p.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m. NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH Randall Pearson, Pastor Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS COGIC James Starks Jr., Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Bib Stud Wed 6:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p.m. NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Brad Sasser, Pastor

Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m. NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH Lanny Shepard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN Lorearl Flowers, Minister 2nd & 4th Sundays

OAK GROVE BAPTIST Julian Mitchell, Pastor Morn. Worship . . .11:00 a.m. OLD TABERNACLE UNIT-

ED METHODIST CHURCH Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. PINEY GROVE ASSEM-BLY OF GOD - SAMSON Terry McCrummen, Pastor

Wed. Worship. WORSHIP CENTER

Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service 6:30 p.m. ROCKY HEAD M.B. A. R. Williams, Pastor

> ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH

SHADY GROVE AME SHILOH BAPTIST

unday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Even. Service 4:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p.m. TAYLOR HILLCOMMUNITY **BAPTIST CHURCH**

CHURCH

JESUS CHRIST

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Class. 7:00 p.m.

TRINITY BAPTIST C.P. Davis, Pastor

CHURCH

CHURCH Shayne Allen, Pastor

Roy L. Turner, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . 7:00 p.m.

James Boots, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m

Noon Worship 12 noon Noon Worship 7:00 p.m. Wed Bible Class... 7:00 p.m.

Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

THE WAY OF HOLINESS

Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VANDERBILT HOLINESS

VICTORIA BAPTIST

VICTORY TABERNACLE Ruby Lawson, Pastor Morn. Worship . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. . 7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST Ken Wilson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p. m.

WHITEWATER BAPTIST

WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

Donnie Marler, Pastor Wed. Prayer Meet . 7:00 p.m. CHAPEL

Mike Medley, Pastor

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST

CHURCH Cary Maulden, Pastor Sunday School . Even. Service.

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LIFESTYLES

In conjunction with Jack Day Festival

Pageant on Sunday, Sept. Queen [16-18 Years] 18, at the Zion Chapel High All contestants will Deadline to turn in the

Community Festival. This Optional categories pate. is the 19th year for the fes- (not included in entry For more information, or

entry fee for all ages to par- b/w, must provide own 6184. ticipate in the pageant.

Miss [2-3 Years], Little Miss Eyes \$5; Prettiest Dress will be recognized at the [4-6 Years], Petite Miss [7-9 \$5; Prettiest Smile \$5; Or festival.

Altrusa International of Years], Junior Miss [10- Enter ALL optional catego-Jack, Alabama will host the 12 Years], Teen Miss [13- ries for \$20. Please make 2022 Miss Sunflower Queen 15 Years], and Sunflower checks payable to Altrusa

fee): Photogenic \$5 (no to register to enter, contact There is a \$25 required larger than 8x10, color or Stacey Nelson at (334) 494photo with contestant name The Jack Day Festival Categories include: Baby printed on back of photo); will be Saturday, Oct. 1, Miss [0-23 Months], Tiny Prettiest Hair \$5; Prettiest and the Sunflower Queens

Altrusa of Jack plans Miss Sunflower Queen Pageant International of Jack.

School auditorium. The be required to wear form is the day of the pagpageant will begin at 2 p.m. PAGEANT DRESSES, NO eant. This pageant is not The pageant is held in HEIRLOOM DRESSES! limited to Zion Chapel stuconjunction with the MAKEUP IS ALLOWED dents, anyone in the sur-Altrusa's annual Jack Day IN ALL CATEGORIES! rounding areas may partici-



Ronald McDonald House during the South Alabama Annual Regional Event. 29 Chapters for Woodmen Life came together to raise the funds for the donation. Those pictured above include (from left): Robby Molony; Linda Westbrook; Philip Curtis; Shelia Hall, Ronald McDonald House representative; Chip Westbrook; Janna Curtis; David Lowery; Ashley Kiplinger, and Mikw Hutto.

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ELBA LIONS CLUB SPEAKER...Twelfth Judicial Circuit Judge Shannon Clark was the guest speaker at a recent Elba Lion's Club meeting. Those pictured above include fortune," Vignola said. (from left) James Kelley, Cal Donnia Howard, Judge Clark, Carlos Magwood, and Leo "our thought was it was

been on the market for going to be a good property seemed to have been for for sure if it was going to U.S. Hwy 84." get the facility or not.

to be a tractor company on per acre for property that how he feels. the property, and he wondered if the city had an environmental study done before purchasing to the property to know if the dirt was going to have to be cleaned from old oils and

"That could cost a small

The mayor answered,

for the project/

put the project off.

25-plus years, and it seemed [to acquire] regardless if the sale "forever." like a bad decision to purmental health came or not At the conclusion of

chase before the city knew because of its proximity to Vignola's remarks, the mayor thanked him for his Vignola said he just didn't comments, and said it was Also, he said there used agree with paying \$13,809 taken under advisement



increase in the cost of prod- cost to fix it is going to Grantham said she would "I am not trying to pres- SPECIAL GUEST AT ELBA ROTARY CLUB glad to work in any direc- sure you, but if you con- MEETING...Dr. Adell S. Goodwin (right), District most everything - concrete, Also, Grantham said there tion the council asked her tinue to put Putnam off and Governor 2022-23 for Rotary District 6880, visited with fuel, asphalt, rock, hauling, are water, sewer and gas to go with the project, but it begins to undermine the the members of the Elba Rotary Club at their lunch meetetc. She said everything lines going across Putnam. she said her biggest concern utilities, you could increase ing Tuesday, Aug. 30. Dr. Goodwin is a member of the has just gone up in price, Eventually, she said the ero- with delaying is creating this to a million-dollar projand that is greatly affecting sion could start undermin- more erosion for each area ect," Grantham said. "If it President Steve Reneau and Rotarian Sandy Williams, keeps eroding, we don't who serves as an Assistant District Governor.

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paring the submitted bid to Grantham said they were this is hurricane season, and Grantham go back to the a project completed previ- not. She said she also con- a big storm could slow the contractor to try and negotiously on Simmons Street, tacted the contractor that project down by weeks. ate a better price. and he said he could not submitted the quote when As more questions were Again, Grantham understand why this proj- the Putnam Street project asked as to why the proj- explained that the erosion ect, a smaller one than the was first declared an emer- ect would be so expensive, had increased for both Simmons Street project, gency, and he was not inter- Grantham said as much as areas since they were first would be so much higher. ested either.

Grantham. "Do you think doing Putnam at this time. have contracted for it sev- cern was the roads/erosion this is too high?

ucts has gone up greatly on increase even more." project bids.

the cost of the project is fix at that point. prices than the council.

project we have four quotes. Grantham said, weather Johnathan Lockett.

reminded the council that tions and discussed having

Community members of all ages will have a chance to meet Elba native and award-winning novelist, screenwriter, and playwright Robert "Bob" Inman at events in Elba on

October 11 and 12. On Tuesday, October 11, following a visit with the Elba Public Library Book Club and meeting with students at Elba High School, Inman will be featured at the historic Elba Theatre at 6:30 p.m. to discuss have Mr. Inman visit," says "Elba Stories," preceded Jennifer Amlong, director by a reception at 5:30 p.m, of the library. "Elba is where submissions to an fortunate to have such an essay and art contest will be esteemed writer as a native, on display. On October 12 and the library would love at 10:00 a.m., he will lead a for people to check out one workshop on "Writing Your of multiple copies of his Life" at the library.

Inman began his writing visit.' career in junior high school working for the Elba Clipper. He has written five novels and one work of non-fiction related to growing up in Elba, as well as screenplays for television movies and scripts for plays that are performed around the country. You can read more about his career at www.robert-inman.com.

The Elba Public Library has multiple copies of several books by Inman, and librarian Jennifer Amlong encourages everyone to enjoy any of his books where small town Southern characters come to life.

"We are very excited to

"This is not as big a Mayor Tom Maddox to that she simply could not ing to the increased costs project and we are paying asked Grantham to give the "make the prices." more," Wise commented to council the downside of not "Bottom line is we should Lockett said his only con-

Grantham said the she answered. "Then, the said.

ing the utilities there, and making the issue larger. While he said he can't if that happens, the project Brunson made a motion know what else will happen

Bob Inman

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she would like to be able inspected, and that was add-

"It is going to get worse," eral months ago," Brunson getting worse if the council

understand in his head why will get really expensive to to award the bid for the to undermine the area.' culvert repairs on Putnam Following the lengthy so high, Wise added that Council member Jane Street and Woodland Drive discussion, Brunson made he understands the engineer Brunson asked how long to S A Graham so the mat- another motion to table the would know more about it is anticipated to take to ter could be discussed, she original motion until the complete the project for said. A second was pro- Sept. 26th council meeting "On the Simmons Street both Putnam and Woodland. vided by council member to give Grantham more time

Were none of them inter- permitting, approximate- Council member asked tractor to see if she could

Draughon Center for the

Arts & Humanities at

or contact Jennifer Amlong

897-6921) or Mark Wilson

ested in this project?" Wise ly 60 days. However, she several more pricing ques- negotiate a lower price. Wise provided the second for the motion to table, Inman to visit and speak at events in October in Elba and it passed by unanimous Library, Restoration 154, vote. and the Caroline Marshall

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to speak again with the con-

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Cissy Hutto said.

tims he flags honored.

Event organizer Travis tion. The SAR State Color given by Elba Fire Chief Parker said he was glad Guard presented the Colors Drew Parker and Chaplain the City of Elba and Elba with AMVETS Commander Leon Adams. AMVETS Chamber of Commerce Kevin Turley leading the Chaplain & 1st Responder were excited to bring the Pledge of Allegiance fol- John Logsdon gave the "It was great to work with the National Anthem. God Amazing Grace played on & Families! To learn more, Mayor Tom Maddox and Bless America was played the bagpipe, followed by 3 Chamber Director Sandy on a bagpipe with the Cof- round Salute Volleys fired Williams," co-organizer fee County Sheriff's Depart- by Clanton's Battery, with

> of the Coffee County Court- The first speaker was SAR emony with Taps. Jerome Jackson served as ready by Councilwoman Coffee County Veterans.

The FIRST Elba 9/11 Master of Ceremony, and he Jane Brunson with Mayor Patriot Day Ceremony was asked all to rise while DAR Tom Maddox reading one held Saturday, Sept. 10, on Regent Jacque Hawkins from Governor Kay Ivey.

gave the Opening Invoca- Touching messages were lowed by Jackson singing Closing Invocation, with ment doing a flyover as the LBW Music Director John-Flags placed in the lawn last note was fading out. ny Brewer Closing the Cer-

house in Elba symbolically President Travis Parker Other organizations inrepresented those killed on about the "Tunnel To Tow- volved were Southeast AM-Sept. 11, 2001. Prior to Saters" and "Luke's Wings" VETS Post 7, Wiregrass urday's ceremony, there was programs that CCV has set- Sons of the American Revoa 20-minute video scrolling up for First Responders and lution, John Coffee Chapthe names of the 2,977 vic- Veterans. A Proclamation ter of the Daughters of the from the City of Elba was American Revolution, and

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IN THE MATTER OF THE COURT ADOPTION OF: LILLY ERENA POWERS DOB: 10/18/2012 A MINOR CHILD.

Case No.: 2022-DR-9086

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ACTION FOR PUBLICA- IN THE PROBATE ADOPTION BY RELA- OF COFFEE COUNTY,

IN RE: THE MATTER NOTICE OF THE ESTATE OF PUBLICATION To: Michael Patrick Powers MARGARET LYNN DIXON DECEASED

CASE NO: PC-2022-075

an action has been filed APPOINTMENT against you and that you Letter of Administration of Probate of Coffee County, Street and Hwy 84 east of are required to serve a copy said deceased having been Alabama, notice is hereby the city. of your written defenses, granted to the undersigned given that all persons hav- WHEREAS, the bridges if any, to it on Russell J. on the 16th day of August, ing claims against said within that district belong Frank, Esq., whose address 2022, by the Hon. Jodee estate are hereby required to the City of Elba and are is CPLS, P.A., 201 E. Pine R. Thompson, Judge of the to present the same within required to be maintained Street, Suite 445, Orlando, Probate Court of Coffee the time allowed by law or by the city. Florida 32801, on or before County, notice is hereby the same will be barred. October 20, 2022, and file given that all persons havthe original with the clerk ing claims against said /s/ Jennifer K Parker Parrish damage to city bridges in of this Court at 425 N. Or- estate are hereby required Jennifer K. Parker Parrish the City of Elba which may ange Ave., Orlando, Florida to present the same within Administrator of said Estate be caused by vehicles of 32801 before service on time allow by law or the Petitioner or immediately same will be barred.

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wit, L.E.P., and you are de- Probate Court of Coffee 6th day of October, 2022 five hundred dollars (\$500). scribed as being thirty-one County, Alabama. Notice is at 9:00 o'clock a.m. be (31) years old; White; 6'2" hereby given to all persons appointed a day on which I, Sally Bane, Elba City or 6'3", around 200 pounds, having claims against said to make such settlement, Clerk, do hereby certify that strawberry blonde hair, pos- estate that they are hereby at which time all persons the foregoing Ordinance required to present the same interested can appear and No. 09122022 was passed You must keep the Clerk of within the time allowed by contest the said settlement by Unanimous Consent by

that a copy of Petitioner's of September, 2022., and nation of Current Mailing Personal Representative of pleading styled "Motion I further certify the comto Dismiss Guardianship pliance with the Codified and Conservatorship" Ordinances and the laws of and the Order setting the State of Alabama, per-Future papers in this lawsuit NOTICE OF PUBLIC the Petition for Hearing, taining to Public Meetings. along with a copy of this /s/ Sally Bane to the addresses on record at An online sale will be held Final Settlement Notice be City Clerk at www.storagetreasures. served on all interested par- 9/15-chg.

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CITY OF ELBA ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND IMPLEMENTING BRIDGES WITHIN THE DOWNTOWN **BUSINESS DISTRICT IN** THE CITY OF ELBA.

OF WHEREAS, the downtown business district shall consist of all streets, roads, and Letters of Administration highways lying inside the upon the Estate of Rex public highway loop, begin-Parker having been granted ning at the intersection of on the 30th day of August south of Elba and continu-

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Ordinance is to prevent excessive weight, to extend the life expectancy of city bridges, and to reduce the Attorney for Petitioner and public expense of their

maintenance and repair. WHEREAS, Ala Code section 32-9-20 authorizes a county and municipalities to further restrict bridges THE PROBATE weight limits on city road-COURT OF COFFEE ways as necessary to protect the general welfare and

public safety. THEREFORE, The Police GLENN Elba Police Department in conjunction with The City of Elba's Street Department, shall install and post weight limits as determined by the city engineer and bridge inspector at the approaches FILE FINAL SETTLEMENT to all bridges within the city of Elba. The City Council This day came Doris Daye of Elba has determined Testamentary Conservator of the property that any person violating telephone consultation. an opportunity to admit or on the Estate of PAUL of Jimmy Glenn Chandler, the posted weight restricdeny the allegations in the HARRISON, deceased, an incapacitated person, and tion shall be cited by any having been granted to the files her account vouchers, duly authorized peace offi-You are the legal father of undersigned on the 25th evidence and statements for cer with a Uniform Traffic a minor female child born day of August 2022, by a final settlement of her Complaint and any such violation shall be punish-Orange County, Florida, to Thompson, Judge of the It is ORDERED that the able by a fine not to exceed

> the City Council of the City It is further ORDERED of Elba on the 12th day

continued its struggles with a 30-13 loss to Montgomery

Academy. Things went pretty much as expected in the

3A circles as Houston Academy pounded Ashford 49-16,

Straughn rolled over 2A power Clarke County 35-21, and

Opp battled past Providence Christian 20-14. In the 2A

ranks, Highland Home kept on winning with a big 28-18

win at Lanett, Abbeville got its first win of the season

with a 24-8 upset over Geneva County, Ariton dominated

G.W. Long 34-18, Luverne evened its record at 2-2 with

continued to dominate its region foes with a 28-8 win

over Cottonwood. In 1A, Florala posted a big 38-20 win

over Southern Choctaw and may be a team to keep an eye

on, while Pleasant Home slipped past winless McKenzie

state as all three won, though maybe not as easily as their

fans would have liked. Alabama overcame a sea of penalty

flags and self-inflicted wounds to get past Texas 20-19,

thanks again to the poise and leadership of Bryce Young.

One of my Facebook buddies had written earlier in the

game that Young's name should never again be mentioned

in the same sentence with this year's Heisman voting, but

the Bama quarterback proved him wrong as he led a fourth

quarter comeback and made two big plays that led to the

win. Before leaving the Tide, placekicker Will Reichard

may be the most underrated player ever to play football at

and field goal attempt all season and didn't even make an

All-American list, and ever since he has been at Bama he

has been one of the most consistent kickers ever! Now

start to down San Jose State 24-16, in the type of game

Auburn fans have become used to in the early season. The

Tigers have a solid team in many areas and will win their

play down to the level of their competition. As for Troy,

the Trojans needed a half to get last week's loss to Ole

miss out of their system and then took charge in a 38-17

win over an outmatched squad from Alabama A & M.

Troy is just beginning its rebuilding process after a bad

*** Major League Baseball passed a sweeping set of

rule changes last week that will be noticeable to even the

least interested baseball fan. The changes included the

implementation of a pitch clock and a ban on defensive

shifts that have become so prevalent in recent seasons. The

pitch clock will be set on 15 seconds with no runners on

base and 20 seconds with runners on base, and the catcher

must be in position when the clock hits 10 seconds, the

batter must have both feet in the box at 8 seconds and the

pitcher must start a 'motion to pitch' by the expiration of

the clock. Violations by the pitcher or catcher will result

in a ball to the batter, while a violation by the batter will

result in a strike. The banning of defensive shifts will no

outfield. The new rules state all four infielders must have

both feet on the dirt and that no more than two infielders

will be allowed on either side of second base. In other

moves, the league put in a rule changing the size of the

base to help prevent collisions, and that a pitcher may

conference sooner than later.

claim an impressive region win on the road.

Views From

The Pressbox By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our first born grandson Lawson celebrated his 12th birthday last week and it just doesn't seem possible that my little man can really be just a year away from being a teenager. Lawson has been almost a daily visitor since he and his Mom moved back to Elba eight years ago, and I pray he it will continue that way for years to come as we a 12-10 region win over Horseshoe Bend, and Wicksburg get to watch him grow into a young man.

For what it is worth....

*** The Elba Tigers and Brantley Bulldogs renewed their football rivalry last week and the battle of state 1A powers was everything it was billed to be as the Tigers scored late after a gallant Brantley comeback attempt to knock off the top-ranked Bulldogs 42-35. Elba led 28-14 at the half and carried a 35-22 lead into the fourth quarter. but watched Brantley rally to pull even midway through the quarter and needed a late score to regain the lead and escape with the win. The game was far from perfect from a coaching viewpoint as Elba had five fumbles that resulted in 39 vards in losses and a Brantley touchdown. while Brantley was flagged for 17 penalties for 156 yards, including six major distance penalties. It was a fun game to watch for the fans; however, as they got to enjoy the atmosphere that is high school football, cheer after big plays, Alabama. Back two years ago he made every extra point and yell at the refs. Yep, it was a good one!

Elba continued to be led on offense by sophomore running back Alvin Henderson, who rushed for 247 vards and 5 touchdowns, but the Tigers did pull a rabbit out of over to Auburn, where the Tigers overcame a sluggish their hats as they were a perfect 4 for 4 passing for over 100 yards and a 66-yard td toss. The Elba offense began to grow a little and showed it could do more than just snap the ball to Henderson and watch him run. Over on defense the Tigers allowed four touchdowns and continued to struggle to defend the pass, but did come up with a couple of big plays of their own, including a big fourth down stop near the midfield stripe. I know there are a lot of things' Elba needs to improve on if they hope to keep winning, but this team and coaches don't seem to mind hard work and I expect the Tigers to keep getting better as the season rolls along and to be a team to watch in the 1A ranks.

*** It wasn't the best of weeks for the teams in the area, but Zion Chapel did get its first win of the season to grab the spotlight. The Rebels turned back a talented bunch of Samson Tigers to claim a 19-6 region win and after a slow start may be ready to get on a roll, while New Brockton was surprised by previously winless Daleville 34-24. Kinston battled for all four quarters in a 30-20 region loss to undefeated Georgiana, and Brantley saw its 27-game regular season winning streak snapped in a 42-35 loss to Elba. The Gamecocks slipped to 0-4 with the loss to the Warhawks and appear to be headed for yet another losing season since moving up to the 3A ranks. The Bulldogs from Coffee County have now lost two straight games doubt have an immediate impact on the game, since all after opening the season with a win and are already fightteams routinely move an extra infielder to one side of the Montgomery Catholic 45 Geneva 7 ing for their playoff lives just four weeks in the season. The Bulldogs from Crenshaw County may have lost the battle in Elba, but are still very talented and aren't going anywhere after a first regular season loss in three years.

*** It was another wild week across the state as 14 teams ranked in the top ten fell to defeat, including two number one teams, and one #2, one #3 and one #4 team. In early season play the schedule often has more to do with the rankings than a team's true quality. Up in the 7A ranks, top-ranked Central, of Phenix City, was knocked off by Opelika 17-14, in overtime, while Enterprise jumped out to a 51-0 halftime advantage and coasted to a 58-14 win over Smiths Station; and Dothan picked up its third win of the young season with a 14-10 win over suddenly struggling Prattville. In 6A, Coach Ed Rigby's Pike Road Patriots evened their record at 2-2 with a 35-21 win over Sidney after three straight region Lanier, while down in the 5A ranks Charles Henderson remained unbeaten with a surprisingly easy 38-14 romp past Carroll, Eufaula remained undefeated with an impressive 43-7 win over Greenville, and Headland continued time for his team, especialto be the surprise team in the classification with a solid

Ring Ceremony set for Sept. 29th for Elba's state champion golf team

School state champion golf having enough funds to pay team for Class 1A/2A Boys for the rings. Any and all will be celebrated Thursday help is greatly appreciated." evening, Sept. 29, with a This was Elba's sec-

ond year in a row to win ring ceremony. This ceremony will be the state championship held at the Elba County for Class 1A/2A boys in I Club, beginning at 6 p.m. the Alabama High School It is open to the public to Athletic Association's championship tournament. attend.

The Elba High School golf program also is still accepting donations to help pay for the state champion rings for the golf team. Donations can be given to Coach Mark Wicker or mailed to Elba High School at 371 Tiger Drive, Elba.

"No donation is too small," Coach Wicker said.

The 2022 Elba High "We are about halfway to and line up against another

Thursday, Sept. 15

Goshen at Brantley

Saturday, Sept. 17

Monday, Sept. 19

Elba at Pike County

Enterprise Tournament

Houston County at Elba

Pleasant Home at Kinston

Luverne at Zion Chapel

what we needed and will give us a chance to do a to get better." lot of work and get betfans look at our record and get excited. We are excited too. However, we made way too many mistakes last week in a number of areas on offense, defense and the kicking game to continue to win in the league we play in. We've

VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE New Brockton at Wicksburg

Zion Chapel at Pike Lib New Brockton at Straughn Tuesday, Sept. 20 Kinston at Houston County Brantley at Red Level Zion Chapel at Goshen

> Thursday, Sept. 22 Elba at Florala Brantley at McKenzie

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12-3 win over Rehobeth. In the 4A ranks, Andalusia conignated hitter and downright hate the runner being placed tinued to cruise with a lopsided 50-9 win over outmanned on second in extra-inning games. However, the new rules Bullock County, while Slocomb hit a dead end in a 58-0 should help make the games go by quicker and will have loss to top-ranked Montgomery Catholic and Dale County little impact on the actual game itself.

*** Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator dropped by over the weekend and after hitting only 24 of his 33 picks last week was shaking his head. The local guesspert had been on a roll the last two weeks, but was surprised last week and hinted he may have to bring out his crystal ball earlier than ever if his struggles continue. Oh well, he did leave this week's fearless forecast, and here goes....

BRANTLEY VS. KINSTON

The bulldogs from up across the creek won't be in a good mood this weekend after last week's rare region loss and may have a trap set for the bulldogs from down the road that are planning to make a trip to the pound. On paper this one looks like a mismatch, but games aren't 25-20 and Red Level blanked Houston County 26-0 to played on paper, and this one could be closer than many think. Nah!

*** It was a good week for the college teams in the BRANTLEY 40 KINSTON 12

ARITON VS. ZION CHAPEL

The troops from Fort Jack will be back in the field again this weekend and will be hunting a litter of kitties that hang out downtown under the bridge. While the troops will have plenty of ammunition and will be confident of heading home after another successful hunt, the guess here is that the kitties will be too elusive and will send the troops home hungry.

ARITON 41 ZION CHAPEL 7

HOUSTON ACADEMY VS. NEW BROCKTON

The yard birds from down behind the dollar store are still pecking the ground looking for a win and this week must head over to the circle city to tangle with an army of troops that have taken no prisoners thus far in the season. The birds have had a hard time getting airborne thus far in the season and may have to hitch hike back home after

share of games, but at least once or twice a year seem to HOUSTON ACADEMY 38 NEW BROCKTON 8

OTHER PICKS:

Auburn 42 R.E. Lee 3 Georgiana 33 Houston County 16 Florala 36 Pleasant Home 13 hire a few years back, and should be a team to watch in its Red Level 22 McKenzie 12 Linden 40 R.C. Hatch 0 Sweet Water 41 A.L. Johnson 6 G.W Long 34 Geneva County 0 Cottonwood 26 Samson 6 Wicksburg 28 Abbeville 14 Highland Home 48 Horseshoe Bend 8 Goshen 32 LaFavette 26 Lanett 28 Luverne 13 Reeltown 48 Barbour County 0 Northside Methodist 35 Daleville 20 Opp 22 Pike County 21 Straughn 44 Ashford 12 Slocomb 29 B.T. Washington 27 Bullock County 22 Dale County 18 Andalusia 31 Montgomery Academy 10 diamond and often moves an infielder into a place in the Charles Henderson 26 Beauregard 21 Eufaula 30 Pike Road 28 Greenville 38 Selma 14 Saraland 42 Robertsdale 3 Enterprise 42 Rehobeth 0 Opelika 31 Prattville 0 make a pickoff attempt to a base only twice while the Dothan 41 Smiths Station 14 same batter is at the plate. I will admit I don't like the des- Pike Lib 27 Port St. Joe 20

Hard work to continue

Elba Tigers ready for week off

The Elba Tigers will get a much-needed week off games and head coach Marc Sieving feels the break is coming at a good ly after last week's big win

over top-ranked Brantley. "I'm sure the players would all like to get back on the field Friday night opponent," stated Sieving, "but after four weeks, got a lot of work to do, including three region and while we don't have

games, I think the break is a game this week, we are erages. They had receivhard at work and working

> said, "Our kids really played hard and wanted it. We have told our kids that playing big games is what and won a big game. I was proud of the way we came out and played in the first half and proud of the way we played late in be a better job executing we can't have busted cov- Tiger Stadium in Elba.

ers running wide open because of our mistakes When asked about last in the secondary, but that ter as a team. I know the week's 42-35 win over is something we can cor-Brantley, Coach Sieving rect and will work to correct. I was really proud of the team because it has worked hard, but we have a lot of hard work left to Elba football is all about, do because now we have a and the players responded target on our back and will get the best from every

opponent we play." The Elba Tigers will return to play Friday night, Sept. 23, when they host the game with the outcome Providence Christian from on the line. We have to Dothan in a non-region game. Kick for that conon offense and on defense test will be 7 p.m. from

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Outscore Brantley 42-35

Elba Tigers win 1A 'Battle of Unbeatens'

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor Photos by BC Sports Photography

The Elba Tigers and Brantley Bulldogs tangled last Thursday night in a Class 1A showdown on Mack Wood Field and when the lights on the scoreboard finally quit flickering it was the Tigers that left the field with a wild 42-35 upset win over the top-ranked Bulldogs.

Brantley received the game's opening kickoff and set sails down the field on a 15-play scoring drive that ate up almost nine minutes off the clock. The drive was led by the running of Kedrick Brown and the passing of Jayden Parks, and it was Parks that capped the drive when he leaped over the goal line from two yards out. The extrapoint try failed, but with 3:09 left in the opening quarter the Bulldogs were on top 6-0.

Elba began its initial offensive series at its own 27-yardline and the Tigers went 73 yards in eight plays to grab the lead. A 36-yard pass from Alvin Henderson to Collin Arnold on the first play of the series set the tone for the long scoring drive, with the Tiger touchdown coming on a 14-yard scamper by Alvin Henderson. Alex Wisecup kicked the extra-point, and with 11:53 left in the second quarter Elba had taken a 7-6 lead.

The Tigers got the ball right back on a fumble recovery at the Brantley 29-yardline and needed only two plays to cash in the turnover, with Alvin Henderson scoring his second touchdown of the night on a 19-yard burst up the middle. Wisecup's extra-point attempt was true, and with 10:00 remaining in the second quarter the Tigers lead was

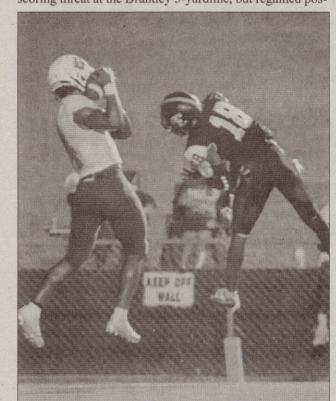
The Elba defense stopped a Brantley fourth down gamble near midfield on the Bulldogs ensuing possession and again the Tigers took advantage of the short field as they went 48 yards in five plays to add to their early advantage. Alvin Henderson got the call on all five plays, and capped the scoring drive with a 29-yard touchdown dash, while Alex Wisecup drilled the extra-point as Elba upped its lead to 21-6 with 2:32 left in the half.

Brantley's offense came back to life on its ensuing possession and needed only three plays to cut into the Elba lead. Jayden Parks completed three straight passes for 49 yards to lead the Bulldogs down the field, with the score coming on a 26-yard touchdown toss from Parks to Kedrick Brown. Parks passed to Kaleb Weed for the two-point conversion, and with1:09 left on the clock the Bulldogs were back within 21-14.

Elba began its next series near midfield and stunned the Bulldogs by quickly getting back into the endzone. After a penalty flag on first down wiped out a 35-yard gallop by JT Coleman, the Tigers went to the airways and connected when Brayden Johnson found Cayden Adkins running behind the Brantley defense and dropped in a pass that Adkins pulled in and turned into a 66-yard touchdown toss. Wisecup's extra-point was true, and with 31-seconds left in the half the Tigers appeared in command with a

Brantley began its initial possession of the second half at its own 20-yardlone after an Elba punt and wasted little time as the Bulldogs went 80 yards in seven plays to chop the Elba lead to six points. Kedrick Brown rushed for 63 yards on five carries during the scoring march and scored the Bulldog touchdown on a 3-yard run, and Robert Shine bulled over for the two-point conversion as Brantley pulled within 28-22 with 7:22 left in the third quarter.

Elba lost a fumble on its ensuing possession to stop a scoring threat at the Brantley 5-yardline, but regained pos-



Brantley Bulldog Kedrick Brown (4) goes high to pull in a touchdown pass over Elba Tiger defender Lakai Reynolds (18). The Bulldogs will host Kinston Friday night in region action.

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Elba Tiger Alvin Henderson (2) runs over a would be Brantley defender as he heads upfield for a big gain in last week's 42-35 win over the top-ranked Bulldogs. Henderson rushed for 247 yards and scored 5 touchdowns in the battle

session near midfield after a punt and promptly went 49 yards in four plays to extend its lead. Alvin Henderson got the call on all four snaps capped the scoring drive with a 27-yard scoring dash, and Wisecup booted the extra-point to push the Tigers lead to 35-22 with 3:08 remaining in

Brantley began its next possession at its on 44-yardline and wasn't about to be stopped as the Bulldogs marched 56 yards in eight plays to stay within striking distance. Jayden Parks completed two passes for 29 yards and scored the Bulldog touchdown on a 14-yard scamper, and Parks also kicked the extra-point to pull the 'Dogs within 35-29 with 11:56 left in the fourth quarter.

The two region rivals swapped punts on their ensuing possessions, while the Tigers handed the Bulldogs a gift on their second series of the stanza when a fumbled snap in the endzone was recovered by Brantley's Jon Kilcrease for a touchdown. The extra-point try failed after a Brantley penalty, but with 6:43 left on the clock the score was tied

Elba began its ensuing series at the Brantley 36-yardline after a squib kick and the Tigers ate up over five minutes off the clock and overcame a 10-yard penalty and a 13-yard loss on a bad snap to score their final points of the night. Alvin Henderson got the call on nine straight snaps and after butting heads with the Bulldog defense Elba Tiger Kyle Smith (56) makes a stop at the lie of finally crossed the goal line on fourth down and goal from the 1-yardline. Wisecup added the extra-point as Elba

regained the lead at 42-35 with 1:33 still left on the clock. Brantley wasn't about to throw in the towel, but after being set back by a penalty saw a fourth down and 20 pass play marked short of the downs marker as Elba held on to claim the wild 42-35 region win.

Alvin Henderson rushed for 247 yards on 26 carries and scored 5 touchdowns, completed one pass for 36 yards and caught two passes for two yards to lead the Elba offense, while Brayden Johnson completed all three of his pass attempts for 67 yards and one td.

Jacob Watkins led the Tiger defense with 10 tackles, while Cayden Adkins added 8 stops and JT Coleman had

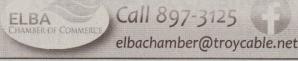
Brantley's Jayden Parks rushed for 30 yards and 2 touchdowns on six carries and completed 15 of 19 passes for 169 yards and one td to spark the Bulldogs, while Kedrick Brown rushed for 84 yards on 13 carries and

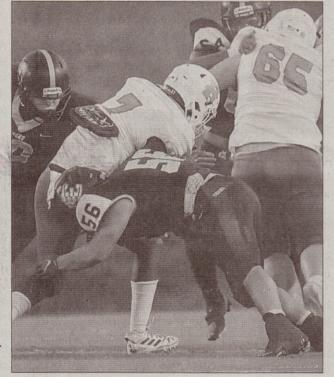
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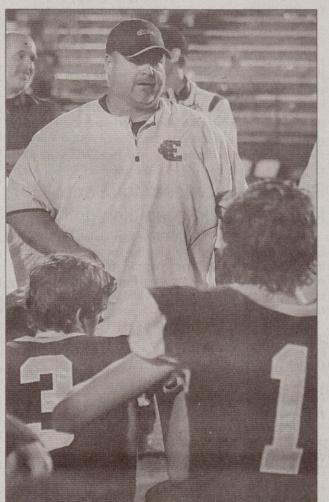
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scrimmage on Brantley Bulldog Robert Shine (7) in last week's region clash.



Elba Tiger coach Marc Sieving talks with his team after last week's 42-35 region win over Brantley. The Tigers will be back in action Sept. 23 at home against Providence

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In region loss to Georgiana

Late scores doom Kinston 30-20

Statistics by W.J. Adcock Photos by Linda Hodge

The Kinston Bulldogs saw a fourth quarter lead loss to the Georgiana been trimmed to 14-8. Panthers, last Friday night in Georgiana.

seven running plays to the dressing room. grab an early 7-0 lead. yards on three carries to quarter at its own 35-yard- regained the lead 22-20. help lead the Bulldogs line after a Kinston punt down the field, while Cale and went 65 yards in eight back hopes dimmed on Sumblin added 21 yards plays to take its first lead on three carries and scored of the game. Cameron the Panthers pounced on the touchdown on a 1-yard Miles was the workhorse a Bulldog fumble at the run. Marcus Free kicked of the scoring drive as he Kinston 30-yardline, and the extra-point, and with 3:28 left in the first quarter Kinston was on top 7-0.

recovered a Panther fumble a two-point conversion as ran in the two-point conon the ensuing kickoff and the Panthers went on top version, and with 2:33 left the Bulldogs took advan- 16-14 with 5:43 left in the on the clock Kinston's tage of the short field to quarter. add to their lead. The score Kinston was forced to Georgiana celebrated the came on a 56-yard gallop punt on its next posses- 30-20 region win. by Dylan Davis, and after sion, but got the ball back in the quarter.

Watson fielded the kick at to Jeb Crosby. The extra-carries.

Statistics by Brandon White

Photos by Ashley Bertsch

Daleville Warhawks.

Smith and carried the lead in at the half in the defen-

Daleville returned the

had an immediate answer for the Daleville score and regained the lead only

23-seconds later when

Gabe Herrington hooked

up with Matt Smith on a

sive struggle.

Pinckney.

the 32-yardine and scoot- point try failed, but with ed 68 yards for a Panther 9:20 remaining in the score. Jacobie Morgan fourth quarter Kinston was passed to Cameron Miles back on top 20-16. for the two-point conevaporate in the game's version, and with 1:30 ensuing possession at its final four minutes in a dis-remaining in the opening own 37-yardline and drove appointing 30-20 region quarter Kinston's lead had

the Georgiana 40-yatdline Kinston began its first twice in the second quarter,

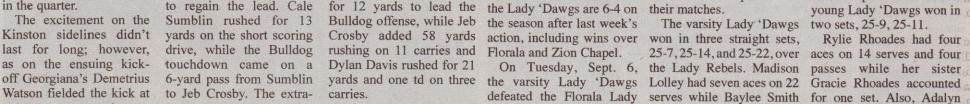
rushed for 51 yards on then saw its hopes disapsix carries and capped the drive with a 7-yard scor- Cameron Miles scored on .For AHSAA Class 1A Volleyball Kinston's Cale Sumblin ing dash. Miles also scored a 2-yard run. Miles also

vanish in 34-24 region loss to Warhawks

Georgiana began its 63 yards in 15 plays to move back on top. Jacobie Kinston drove inside Morgan completed two passes for 26 yards to lead the Panthers down offensive series of the but failed to cash in either the field, while Morgan night near midfield after a scoring opportunity and at capped the five-mindefensive stop and prompt- the half the Bulldogs car- ute scoring drive with a ly marched 45 yards in ried a slim 14-8 lead into 21-yard scoring scamper. A two-point attempt failed; Georgiana began its ini- however, with 3:55 left on Jeb Crosby rushed for 24 tial possession of the third the clock Georgiana had

> Kinston saw its comethe ensuing kickoff when pear six plays later when upset hopes were over as

to regain the lead. Cale for 12 yards to lead the the Lady 'Dawgs are 6-4 on their matches. New Brockton watches two-touchdown lead



eight aces in the match. blocks in the win. Other team leaders were The JV Lady 'Dawgs won with 18 hits and 7 kills. Also, on Sept. 6, Kinston's 5-2 on the season.

Brantley Bulldogs.

Stats submitted by

Coach Suzanne Elmore

JV volleyball team won their Highlights from the win

Lilli Sumblin accounted for aces on 15 serves in the The Kinson Lady 19 passes, and two aces on match, and Brynne Kelley Bulldogs currently are nine serves.

Kinston Bulldog Cale Sumblin (17) drops off a short pass to a Bulldog teammate,

in recent ation. Kinston will travel to Brantley Friday night for a region clash with the

25-8. Claire McReynolds had 25 sets, and Danielle one hit and four passes. had 41 sets, 34 serves, and Cain accounted for two

Danielle Cain with 19 in three sets, 25-16, 23-25, passes, and Madison Lolley and 15-8. This win upped the Kinston JV's record to

match against Florala in two over Zion Chapel includsets, 25-18 and 25-18. Bella ed six aces on 15 serves Lashley had 10 sets and by Lilli Sumblin. She also

Kinston Lady 'Dawgs ranked 7th in state two kills, Sage Beck had accounted for 18 passes and 18 passes and two kills, and 19 sets. Tori Pettis had two had 10 hits and two kills.

Cale Sumblin rushed for ranked #7 in Class 1A On Thursday, Sept. 8, The Junior High squad Free added the extra-point at the Panthers 22-yardline 116 yards and one touch- varsity volleyball for the Kinston had three teams in for Kinston is 4-1 on the the Bulldogs lead was up after a short punt, and took down on 16 carries and Alabama High School action against Zion Chapel, season after its win over to 14-0 with 1:43 still left advantage of the short field completed 4 of 7 passes Athletic Association, and all three squads won Zion Chapel last week. The young Lady 'Dawgs won in or

On Tuesday, Sept. 6, the Lady Rebels. Madison passes while her sister the varsity Lady 'Dawgs Lolley had seven aces on 22 Gracie Rhoades accounted defeated the Florala Lady serves while Baylee Smith for one set. Also, Adalyn Wildcats in a three-set had seven hits and two kills. Wise had one hit and four will match, 25-16, 25-13, and Also, Claire McReynolds passes, and River Riley had





New Brockton Gamecock Gabe Herrington (1) finds room to run along the sideline. Herrington rushed for 35 yards and passed for 306 yards in last week's region loss

64-yard touchdown toss as New Brockton went on top The Warhawks Omarion The Gamecocks lead Whitworth and appeared Zack Walters both added in command, but Daleville two-point conversions game away. suddenly came back to life after the touchdowns, and and scored a pair of touch- within a matter of ten min- touchdowns on runs of downs over a five-minute utes the Gamecocks could 15 and 1 yard as the lead span to sneak ahead for only watch as the 12-point went to 34-18 with 3:45

The Daleville offensive Pinckney scored both explosion continued after touchdowns on long runs, a Gamecock punt midway grew to 18-6 with 5:16 with the first scoring scam- through the final quarter left in the quarter on a per going for 59 yards and as the Warhawks added 13-yard touchdown toss the second on a 44-yard two more touchdowns in a from Herrington to Jaxon dash. Leonardo Wynn and three-minute span to open up a 34-18 lead to put the

Pinckney scored both New Brockton did reach the endzone on the game's final play on a 34-yard pass from Gabe Herrington to Baylon Foster, it only changed the final score as Daleville walked off the field with the 34-24 region

Gabe Herrington completed 13 of 31 passes for 306 yards and 3 touchdowns and had 11 carries for 35 yards to lead the New Brockton offense, while Matt Smith pulled in 5 catches for 159 yards and one td, Baylon Foster had 4 catches for 105 yards and one td, and Jaxon Whitworth had 3 catches for 36 yards and one td.

The Gamecock defense was paced by Blake Peterson with 11 tackles, while Aaron Watson added 9 stops, Braxton Smith had 6 stops, and Matt Smith a pass interception.

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New Brockton Gamecock defense rises up for a big stop in last week's region contest against Daleville. The Gamecocks will travel to Dothan Friday night to battle and Baylon Foster both had Houston Academy.

Grab big region win on the road

Zion Chapel Rebels tame Samson Tigers 19-6

Story and photos by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Zion Chapel Rebels spoiled homecoming for the Samson Tigers last Friday night, Sept. 9, as the Rebels claimed their first win of the 2022 football season in a 19-6 game.

Samson received the initial kickoff for the game, and following the return just shy of midfield, the Tigers offense went to work at their own 49-yardline. However, on second down the Rebels got their first interception on the night when ZC's Micah Fuller grabbed the ball from the air.

After two penalties – an offsides for Samson followed by a false start for Zion Chapel – the Rebels got their first play from scrimmage off from their own 40-yardline. Two run plays garnered only three yards for the Rebels.

On third down the Rebels were flagged for back-to-back false starts, which backed them up to facing third and 17. A run play to Micah Fuller failed to gain any yards, and the Rebels punted on fourth and 17. Kevin Dowdy Jr. punted for Zion Chapel.

A big first down run by Samson's Joshua Lowery set the Tigers up at the Zion Chapel 15-yardline. On third and two, Lowery appeared to score for Samson, but the TD was called back on a holding penalty.

A big tackle by Conner Stricklin on the next play stopped Samson's Brodey Mixon four yards short of a first down, but on fourth



The ZC Rebel band played from the stands Friday night in support of

and four the Rebels were flagged for encroachment giving Samson a first and

Joshua Lowery ran the ball into the endzone on the next play for a Tigers touchdown. The extra point attempt was no good, but with 5:45 left in the first quarter Samson had the lead at 6-0.

The ensuing kickoff went to Zion Chapel's John Foster Hamm, and he returned the ball to the Zion Chapel 43-yardline. Two plays later, the Rebels were facing a third and 12 when they were flagged for a false start. The following play, a six-yard run by Morgan Sanders, left the Rebels several yards short of a first down, and John Dowdy Jr. punted on

fourth down. A good punt by Dowdy helped the Rebels pin

Samson at their own 7-yardline. The Tigers earned a first down after a third and three run by Joshua Lowery to the Samson 19-yardline.

After an incomplete pass, Brodey Mixon scampered for 16-yards on second down to earn Samson another first down at their 35-yardline. This play also ushered in the end of the first quarter.

As the second quarter began, Samson made another first down following a five-yard run by Brodey Mixon on second down and then another encroachment penalty on the Rebels defense. However, this drive ended two plays later when on second down Zion Chapel's Jackson Adcock intercepted a Samson pass, and he returned it to the Samson 22-yardline.

The Rebels gained six yards on first and second down runs. On third down, Brayden Benbow dropped back to attempt a pass for the Rebels, but he was sacked back at the 23-yardine.

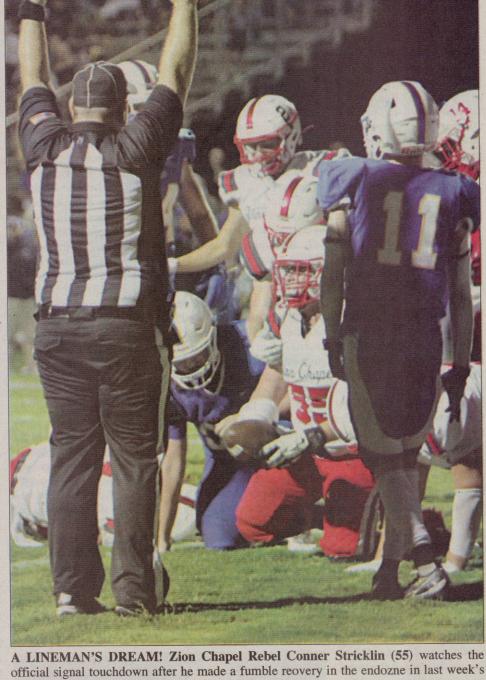
The Rebels needed 12 yards to make first down, but instead, on fourth down Joseph LeGear pulled in a pass for a Zion Chapel touchdown. The extra point attempt by Kevin Dowdy Jr. was good, and the Rebels took the lead 7-6 with 7:13 left in the second quarter.

Joshua Lowery returned the ensuing kickoff from the 20-yardline to the 43 where he was brought down by ZC's Micah Fuller. On third down and two, Samson's Brodey Mixon fumbled at the Zion Chapel 40-yardline where the Rebels recovered the ball.

Following the fumble recovery, Zion Chapel's offense managed to get one first down before ter came to an end. eventually having to punt. more plays off on offense before the first half came to an end with Zion Chapel still leading 7-6.

Zion Chapel received the second half kickoff, and Micah Fuller returned the ball to the 44-yardflagged for false start on first down, had no gain on a run play, and flagged a second time for false start. However, on a secpaydirt when Morgan Sanders fired a 66-yard touchdown pass to Joseph good, but with 9:51 left Chapel extended its lead to 13-6.

plays later, though, Zion win of the season. Chapel turned the ball Following are previews back over to Samson on from this week's action: on the football after pulling in a pass for a touchdown in



official signal touchdown after he made a fumble reovery in the endozne in last week's 19-6 region win over Samson.

ery, Samson put together Chapel 30-yardline. a lengthy offensive drive converted three third downs into first downs in Rebels recovered. the drive as the third quar-

line. The Rebels were to capitalize on their next second down. However, on the night. drive as it was marred on third and goal from with and illegal procedure the 6-yardline, the Rebels tion, the Rebels simply penalty and a bad snap reached paydirt their ran the clock out to seal that pushed them back to third and final time on the 19-6 win. This was the 15-yardline. Samson's the night. Morgan Sanders the Rebels first win on ond and 20 play, ZC hit offense returned to the took the snap and fol- the season, and the first field after a fourth down lowed his blocking up the for new head coach Cody Zion Chapel punt sailed middle, but the ball was Keene at the helm.

Samson had a first and the 12-yardline, and the

The final quarter of the ZC's Brayden Benbow Rebels led 19-6. game began with Samson took the handoff on third from the Zion Chapel 30 to the Samson 5-yard-

After the fumble recov- out of bounds at the Zion knocked loose at the goal line. Offensive lineman Conner Stricklin covered that began from their own 10 at the 14-yardline when the ball in the endzone to 29-yardline. The Tigers Brodey Mixon fumbled at earn the touchdown for the Rebels.

The extra point attempt Following run plays was no good, but with of five and two yards, 3:09 left in the game, the

facing a third and 14 down and raced 76-yard to capitalize on its final series of the night despite yardline. That is where line to set the Rebels up driving to the Zion Chapel the drive stalled, and the with a first and goal. The 25-yardline. Zion Chapel's Tigers turned the ball over next play failed to gain, John Foster Hamm interto the Rebels after a fourth and Samson's defenders cepted a Samson pass to down pass fell incomplete. stopped the Rebels one stop the drive. It was the The Rebels were unable yard behind the line on Rebels fourth interception

Following the intercep-

LeGear. The PAT was no For area teams

in the third quarter, Zion Region wars continue in week five

The region wars will The Rebels defense got continue this week for all

Kinston (1-2) at Brantley

their third interception on area teams with one team will be looking to keep the night during Samson's looking to bounce back their playoff hopes alive next series of downs when from its first region loss in and pull off a huge upset on a third down, Joseph 27 games, one looking to at the same time when they LeGear intercepted a knock off the region leader hit the road Friday night to Opp 41-20, Providence Jacob Branch pass. Two and one looking for its first for a region clash with the Brantley Bulldogs.

> the last 24 match-ups and outscored Kinston 183-13. Kinston will enter the Ariton (3-1)

Brantley leads the all-

game with an 0-2 region contest after posting wins over Houston County 33-7 Cats. and McKenzie 42-6, and seeing its 26-game region winning streak snapped last week in a 42-35 loss to Elba.

New Brockton (0-4) at Houston Academy (3-0)

opposite directions will Dothan when the winless New Brockton Gamecocks

the all-time series 16-6, G.W. Long 34-18.

has won twelve straight The Kinston Bulldogs contests and last season posted a 49-8 win.

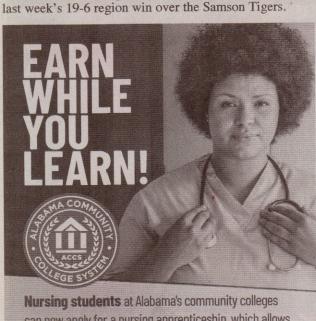
New Brockton will bring an 0-3 region record into the clash after losing Christian 27-6 and Daleville 34-24, while Houston Academy sits time series 32-4, has won atop the region standings with wins over Daleville in the last four wins has 45-0 and Ashford 49-16.

Zion Chapel (1-2) at

The Zion Chapel Rebels record with losses to Elba will be looking to begin 33-6 and Georgiana 30-20, a winning streak Friday while Brantley will bring a night when they hit the 2-1 region record into the road for a region encounter with the Ariton Purple

Ariton owns a 41-12 series edge, has won the last five meetings, including the last four by a combined score of 144-8.

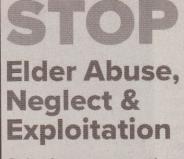
Zion Chapel will enter the game with a 1-2 Two teams headed in region record after losing to Goshen 46-21 and butt heads Friday night in Wicksburg 42-12, before posting a 19-6 region win last week over Samson, challenge the undefeat- while Ariton will bring ed Houston Academy a 2-0 region record into the clash with wins over Houston Academy leads Geneva County 43-14 and



Zion Chapel Rebel Joseph LeGear (8) keeps a tight grip

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